

HARDY DEMOCRATS

Who Will Not Surrender to the Free Silver Heresy.

SIGNATURES OF A HUNDRED

Leading and Influential Democrats of One County

ATTACHED TO A RESOLUTION

Declaring Against Free Silver and Declaring they will Not be Bound by the Action of the Chicago Convention if it Declared for the Free Silver.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

PIEDMONT, W. Va., June 25.—Free silver sentiment does not seem to be near so strong among the Democrats of the interior of the state as the leaders of that faction of the party would have the public suppose.

The free silver leaders have been the most active and have talked the loudest, and that is why the impression prevails that the whole party has surrendered to the craze in a body.

These are the names of a hundred Democrats of great influence in the county. They are business men, professional men and farmers. They are the first sound money Democrats in the state to take such action and to serve notice that they will not be bound by the action of the Chicago convention.

Hardy County Men Take Action.

In Hardy county two weeks ago a very significant incident occurred. A mass county convention was called at Moorefield to elect delegates to the national convention.

In this action they were supported by the Moorefield Examiner, the only Democratic paper in the county, and that the Moorefield Examiner, the only Democratic paper in the county, and that the Moorefield Examiner, the only Democratic paper in the county.

On Friday, June 25th, 1896, a conference of sound money Democrats was held for the purpose of determining the course of the sound money Democrats present to take.

A motion was made, and after free discussion adopted, that this meeting adopt resolutions setting forth the position of sound money men and that the sound money men refuse to participate in the so-called Democratic mass meeting to be held in Moorefield.

The following resolution was offered and unanimously adopted: Resolved, That this meeting condemn editorially and editorially the Moorefield Examiner of the 23rd inst., believing that it represents the true position of the sound money Democrats of this county, and we commend the editor for his position.

qualified approval of Mr. Cleveland's administration of public affairs. And we take special pleasure in publishing to the world that the Democracy of old Hardy stands firm in its alliance to the Hon. Wm. L. Wilson.

Signed by a Hundred. The following persons signed the above after the conference adjourned: Garrett Cunningham, S. A. McMechen, Jonathan Heath, Westfall Garrett, John G. Kuhn, Garrett Mathias, J. William Gilkeson, G. S. Gochenour, James W. McNeill, Byron P. Fisher, Moses W. Hutton, Addison Harper, J. J. Eddies, C. S. Porter, E. L. Allen, George H. Kuykendall, J. H. Wilson, E. C. Beatty, D. M. Scott, B. I. Wood, I. C. Christian, B. F. Heishman, C. H. Haas, R. H. Gamble, J. T. VanMeter, D. H. Kuhn, J. H. Branson, Glean Spangler, William W. Bean, R. V. Gilkeson, William F. Friddle, Q. B. Simmons, M. W. Gamble, J. Ward Wood, W. C. Long, F. C. Turley, W. T. Rogers, C. W. Swisher, George W. Kuhn, R. T. Price, J. M. Clark, James Teets, A. M. Inakeep, George W. Mathias, R. F. Heishman, E. A. Bean.

The following persons were not at the convention, but fully endorsed what was done and signed the above paper: Henry Hutter, Henry Hishman, J. H. Michael, Levi Baughman, Charles A. Heath, Andrew Seymour, James Kuykendall, J. P. Slyer, A. S. Harness, D. S. Huffman, C. Huffman, J. C. Markwood, A. D. Wood.

The following paper was sent in by Mr. C. Fitzwater, of near Mathias, Lost River district: "We, the undersigned, are for a sound currency, not for free silver: C. Fitzwater, Joseph May, T. W. Mathias, William H. Harter, John Halterman, William Halterman, Samuel Fitzwater, William S. May, Joseph M. Halterman, Philip C. Fitzwater, D. F. Dyer, Reuben H. Halterman, Ed. Halterman, Benjamin F. May, Isiah Strawderman, Charles Halterman, Montgomery Halterman, A. M. Snider, Moses Moyer, Arthur W. Sherman, P. P. Delawder, Joseph W. Halterman, Jefferson Strawderman, Ira B. Higga, P. B. Fitzwater, P. J. Halterman, Albert Fitzwater, Nathan Sherman, Joseph G. Smith, C. Strawderman, Nimrod Strawderman.

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GEORGIA DEMOCRATS

Nominate a State Ticket and Advocate Free Silver.

MACON, Ga., June 25.—The Democratic state convention was called to order at 12 o'clock by Chairman Steve Clay, J. W. Wilson, of Clay county, was made temporary chairman and Chairman Clay, of the state executive committee was made permanent chairman and re-elected chairman of the state executive committee.

Governor, W. A. Atkinson; secretary of state, A. B. Candler; attorney general, J. M. Terrill; commissioner of agriculture, R. T. Nesbitt; comptroller general, J. A. Wright.

W. J. Speer was nominated for state treasurer, R. U. Hardeman, the present incumbent, retiring.

The following are delegates at large to the national convention: E. van P. Howell, Patrick Walsh, Al Lewis, Pope Brown.

Col. J. W. Robertson, of Habersham county, chairman of the committee on resolutions. The platform declares for the free, unlimited and independent coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1.

"PITCHFORK" TILLMAN

Bears the Gold Lion in His Den—Silverites Organize in New York.

NEW YORK, June 25.—The first organized movement in behalf of free silver in this city was inaugurated to-night at Cooper Union, and the hall held a vast assemblage. The meeting was under the auspices of the American silver organization, which has for its sponsor the "Young Democracy," better known as ex-Sheriff James O'Brien's followers.

Senator Ben Tillman, of South Carolina, the chief speaker, received an ovation as he walked upon the platform and took a seat under an arched painting of George Greley. The meeting was called to order by George P. Keeney, the official general organizer, who called attention to the presence of Senator Tillman.

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THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Permanent Organization of the Field Workers is Effected.

BOSTON, June 25.—In the Sunday School convention to-day at the field workers conference a report of the conference committee, which met the international executive committee yesterday to discuss the subject of reorganization of the conference on a more permanent basis was adopted.

Under the plan, officers were elected as follows: President, Alfred Day, of Ontario; vice president, Marion Laurence, of Ohio; secretary and treasurer, Mamie Huber, of Kentucky; executive committee, C. D. Meigs, of Indiana; M. H. Hamill, of Illinois; C. J. Kephart, of Pennsylvania, and E. M. Ferguson, of New Jersey.

Wire and Cut Nail Agreement.

CHICAGO, June 25.—The two branches of the nail association met in conference at the Auditorium to-day. The representatives of the nail manufacturers were given assurances that they would be taken care of by the nail trust and the threatened competition was averted. No action has yet been taken on the question of change of rates. There will be a reduction in the output during the summer months, but no closing of mills.

MCKINLEY'S MAIL

Still Burdened with Many Letters of Congratulation

FROM ALL PARTS OF THE UNION.

A Recent Democratic Governor of Massachusetts Writes a Cordial Letter—The Greeting from the National Republican League—Many Callers Received—Arrangements for the Great Ratification Meeting to-morrow—Will be a Tremendous Affair.

CANTON, Ohio, June 25.—Governor McKinley's congratulations to-day included one from Theodore Roosevelt from his summer home at Oyster Bay, as follows:

"My Dear Mr. President-to-be:—As a rule I do not like to try prophecy, but I think it is safe to say New York will give you the largest majority by far that she has ever given a presidential candidate."

Ex-Governor John E. Russell, (Democrat), of Massachusetts, says:

"No man of all your admiring and loving supporters more cordially and disinterestedly congratulates you and the country than I do. I am your sincere political opponent, but no less your cordial and sincere friend."

Ex-Senator Bryant Black writing from Syracuse, N. York, says:

"My Dear Mr. President—I assure you of my very great personal satisfaction with your nomination, which was conducted in a most liberal spirit and with absolutely fidelity to the principles of our party. We go into the campaign for your election with confidence and will gain a glorious triumph for our country. You have the right to be very proud of the love and respect for you of the American people."

The president of the Ohio University writes:

"Dear Major:—You may recall that I told you last fall that the result of the state election was a tribute to your personal hold upon the confidence of the people of this state. The result of the convention at St. Louis simply carries this thought out to the people of the nation. I have been a close observer of men and events for several years and I hesitate to say that you have won your own nomination by the strength of your character, because the people believe in you."

(Signed.) JAMES H. CANFIELD.

Ex-Secretary of the Interior John W. Noble, writes:

"Dear Major:—Please accept my congratulations and hope that you may be elected President. If we may redeem Missouri at the same time, it will be an additional cause for thanks and praise. The party has justice with it and is thrice armed."

The secretary of the National Republican league of the United States sends the following letter:

"Dear Mr. McKinley:—Pursuant to a resolution unanimously adopted at the meeting of our executive committee in the city of St. Louis, I have the honor of sending you the best wishes of the National Republican League, representing a volunteer army of working Republicans numbering more than a million members, many of whom will cast their first vote for McKinley and Hobart."

(Signed.) M. J. DOWLING, Secretary.

Ex-Secretary of the Treasury Foster, writes:

"Dear Governor:—A little late, but not the less hearty are my congratulations. Your success is the most remarkable in many respects in our history. Everybody seems to be pleased and no one doubts the result."

Senator Aldrich, of Rhode Island:

"Dear Governor:—I congratulate you that you are to have the post of honor and responsible leadership in the great contest for protection and sound money. I believe the victory will be so emphatic that the policy we contend for will be accepted without question for a generation. I know how thoroughly your work will be a labor of love and how well it will always be done."

Frederick Douglass, son of the late Frederick Douglass, wrote, extending his congratulations with promise of untiring support until the close of the polls on the day of election.

The first caller Governor McKinley had to-day came from a hundred miles from Newark, to invite him to make a fourth of July address. The governor has had dozens of such invitations, which, of course, he will be unable to accept. Colonel William Osborne, of Boston, left Canton to-day for Cleveland. If Governor McKinley decides to visit at his home, Foxburg, near Boston, with Mrs. McKinley, it will only be for a short time and for a rest. There has been no let up in the constant pilgrimages to Canton and rush of correspondence since the return to his home in January after the inauguration of Governor Bushnell. Governor Bushnell will probably not be at Saturday's ratification, but will likely come with the Central Ohio demonstration next week.

At 4 o'clock this afternoon the Cleveland and Canton committees for the ratification meeting Saturday decided upon the speaker for the occasion. The programme included Congressman Taylor, Congressman C. H. Grosvenor, President Walcott, of the Tippecanoe Club, of Cleveland; Hon. James Hoyt, who is one of the greatest orators of the west. The committee has also put Governor McKinley on the programme for an address, but it is not thought probable that he will attend the meeting, although he may respond to a call at his home later in the evening.

Telegram this afternoon announced that a large delegation from Tuscarawas county, Ohio, will come on special trains to Canton, July 3; also that the glassworkers association and other labor unions from Massillon will call on July 1. Youngstown, Ohio, telegraphed that they would have a special train and join in the Cleveland ratification meeting. The word comes that five hundred lawyers from Pittsburgh and Allegheny county will come and shake hands with the nominee of the St. Louis convention next Tuesday, after which they will be the guests of the Canton Outing Club at Congress Lake. Telegram this afternoon brought many more messages of congratulation to Governor McKinley.

LYMAN TRUMBULL DEAD.

The Noted Ex-Senator Dies After a Lengthy Illness.

CHICAGO, June 25.—Ex-United Senator Lyman Trumbull died at 3 o'clock this morning at his home in this city, aged eighty-three. He had been ill a long time and the end has been expected daily for the past week. His end was peaceful. He was conscious just before he expired, but was unable to do more than recognize those about him. He was surrounded by his family and physicians and death came like a quiet sleep.

Judge Trumbull's final sickness was the result of a cold contracted while attending the funeral of his old friend, ex-Governor Koerner, at Belleville, Ill.

TELLER'S NAME

Will be Presented to the Chicago Convention, and Colorado Boomers will Attend to See a Democratic Convention Nominate a Biting Republican.

DENVER, June 25.—The friends of Senator Henry M. Teller, who have been advocating his candidacy on a silver ticket for President of the United States are feeling very much encouraged by the reception of the boom started in St. Louis immediately after the bolt of the western delegates, has had in the west and south met. It is announced that Mr. Teller's name will positively be presented to the Chicago convention and it is hoped that the strength he will show on the initial ballot will stampede the convention to him.

Mr. Teller's nomination will come from the south, where it is claimed he is particularly strong, not only on account of his record as a silver leader, but also because of his vote against the force bill and his well known opposition to the more radical actions of the Republican party on the tariff question. It has not yet been decided who will deliver the nominating address. It is claimed that Senator Blackburn, for whom the Kentucky delegation is instructed, would rather see Teller nominated than carry off the prize himself. It is expected that some one very close to the Kentucky statesman will be commissioned to place Senator Teller's name before the Democratic convention.

Colorado will offer no resolutions and her delegates will not be particularly conspicuous in the convention, but it is expected to send from this state a delegation of citizens who are expected to attract attention. It is asserted that from three hundred to five hundred men, including many of the wealthiest and best known business men of the state, with a mammoth brass band and the famous Leadville drum corps, will be in Chicago to shout for free silver and Henry M. Teller for President.

Much remains to be done in the matter of details, but the work is going forward enthusiastically. The friends of Mr. Teller say that the endorsement of the Populist party is assured for him if the Democrats make him their candidate and that this would not be possible should a straight Democrat be chosen.

COLORED MASONS.

The Grand Lodge Closes Its Session at Martinsburg.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

MARTINSBURG, W. Va., June 25.—After transacting considerable important business the grand lodge of colored Masons of West Virginia which has been in session here during the past several days adjourned to-night to meet at Keystone next year. The principal work of the session was the adoption of Mackey's jurisprudence, a copy of which each subordinate lodge will be required to purchase.

The following grand officers were elected and installed for the ensuing year: H. Winters, G. M., Harper's Ferry; A. J. Browner, W. D. G. M., Charleston; Z. T. McChung, G. S. W., Parkersburg; R. E. Jenkins, G. J. W., Morgantown; F. J. Porterfield, G. T., Charleston; G. W. Hughes, G. S., Huntington.

To-night the grand lodge was banqueted by the local lodge.

LITTLE KANAWHA ROAD

Is a Sure Go-Governor MacCorkle and Others will Push the Enterprise.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., June 25.—It is ascertained beyond a doubt that Governor MacCorkle, Drake and Stratton, George A. Burt and H. C. Jackson have taken hold of the matter of the Little Kanawha railway to push it through to completion at an early date, notwithstanding the resistance that has been manifested by certain parties in regard to the issuance of bonds voted by majority of the people towards helping this public enterprise whereby Parkersburg and the counties that the line will traverse will be greatly benefited.

The governor was in Parkersburg on the 24th and this matter was thoroughly canvassed and brought to an understanding.

United States Marshal Wells.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 25.—United States Marshal C. E. Wells, of West Virginia, is in the city on business before the treasury department.

CONGRESS OF PHYSICIANS

A Great Assemblage to Form a Union of All Schools.

BUFFALO, N. Y., June 25.—The leading physicians and surgeons of the world will hold an international congress during the Paris exhibition of 1900. The plans for the congress, which have been under discussion for several years, were brought to a head at a meeting of the American Association of Physicians and Surgeons in Buffalo to-day. The congress will give a name to the organization and adopt a constitution. A president will be elected and vice presidents will be chosen from the various nations of the world. The organization will be one of the most catholic ever created, and its cardinal principle will be the entire abolition of the lines that now prevent physicians or surgeons of one school from consulting with one of a different school.

Dr. John T. Simpson, of Boston, is the prime mover in the project and he will be temporary president of the international congress.

WITHOUT FOUNDATION.

The Story of Henry Villard's Big Railway Scheme.

CHICAGO, June 25.—A broker, prominently identified with large European interests in American railroad securities and associated with the reorganization of the Northern Pacific railway, says in relation to a Chicago report of an impending Villard control of Northern Pacific and Baltimore and Ohio, that the story is absolutely without foundation in fact. As the Northern Pacific reorganization committee has obtained the deposit of nearly all of the company's bonds, it and not Mr. Villard will with these bonds buy the road at the forthcoming sale. Mr. Villard's bonds have been deposited with the committee and there is otherwise no connection between the parties. Furthermore, voting trustees have been appointed to control the property for five years and have selected a president of the new company.

NO AGREEMENT

On the Amalgamated Wage Scale, and Mills will Temporarily Close.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., June 25.—No agreement was reached at the Amalgamated scale conference this afternoon, which adjourned at 6 o'clock to-night and will meet again July 8 to discuss the scale. The mills will all cease operations July 9 to discuss the scale and will all cease operations next Tuesday night, on expiration of the old scale.

THE CLOUD BURST.

First Reports from Sistersville Not Exaggerated.

FARMERS' CROPS SWEEP AWAY

By the Relentless Flood, and Thousands of Dollars' Damage Done to Oil Property—Several Houses Carried Off, and the Occupants Lost Their All—The Ohio River Road Unable Yet to Resume Through Traffic—Storm at Marietta.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer. SISTERSVILLE, W. Va., June 25.—Reports this evening from the territory devastated by the cloud burst last night tend to show that the report of the amount of damage done has not been exaggerated in the least. From the latest reports received it seems that the greater amount of damage was done on Middle Island creek and Cow House run. On the former several oil well tanks were carried away, partly filled with oil, and engines, boilers and casing of wood. One producer alone lost four boilers, a large amount of casing, one derrick and two engines, and several thousand feet of lumber, and his loss alone will not be less than five or six thousand dollars.

The new iron bridge recently constructed over Middle Island creek was washed away and will be a total loss of about five thousand dollars.

In the country districts back of this city everything has been laid waste. All the crops have been destroyed by the heavy rain and many of the farmers have lost a greater part of their stock. The Ohio River allroad is still in a badly crippled condition and it is not likely that through trains will be run before day after to-morrow, although it may be possible to get them through to-morrow night.

A large force of workmen have been at work night and day and the tracks are rapidly being gotten in shape. On Cow House run four houses are swept away and their owners have lost everything, they not being able to even find pieces of either the houses or their contents.

MARIETTA, Ohio, June 25.—A cloud burst took place last night which covered a wide area and was the most destructive ever known in this territory. Houses were swept away, stock of all kinds drowned and persons narrowly escaped with their lives. In some streams the water rose twenty feet in ten minutes and came on the people almost as suddenly as the Johnstown flood and was very much like that flood in many respects. Crops are ruined on the Little Muskingum for twenty miles and in many of the small tributaries of the Ohio above here.

The Cleveland & Marietta and Ohio River railroads are greatly damaged and trains delayed. The loss will reach hundreds of thousands of dollars. The details are meagre but it is feared that the worst has not been told.

STORM IN DETROIT.

Much Destruction of Property, but No Lives are Lost.

DETROIT, Mich., June 25.—A wind and rain storm of unusual severity struck this city early this evening and after a lapse of an hour or so repeated itself, though with lessened force. The nearest approach to a fatality was in the case of George Maguire, driver of an undertaker's wagon, whose left side was totally paralyzed by a shock from a stroke of lightning. The watchman at the works of the American Harrow Company was knocked senseless by a lightning shaft.

The greatest property damage was at the Detroit railway's Boulevard park, where Paine's spectacle of the siege of Vicksburg has been in progress nightly. The scenery and other temporary structures were blown down and the spectators' stand was badly demolished, entailing a loss of \$2,500 and stopping the spectacle for the present. St. Peter's German Lutheran church was considerably damaged by lightning and several houses were more or less injured by lightning and by contact with falling trees and branches.

TWELVE MILLION BUSHELS

Of Coal Leave Pittsburgh as a Result of the Rise—Some of the Tows.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., June 25.—About 12,000,000 bushels of coal went out to-night. This leaves about 6,000,000 bushels awaiting in the harbor.

At about 8 o'clock last night the river stood 8 1/2 feet at Davis' Island dam and the first steamer of the big coal fleet passed through the locks on the first June rise in three years. She was the Enterprise, belonging to W. W. O'Neill Company, and she carried a tow of ten barges and three flats, and behind the river clear to Lock No. 1 was dotted with big tow boats waiting, with steam up and tows ready, for their chance to pass down.

Up to 11:30 to-night the following steamer had passed the dam with their tows:

Enterprise, ten barges, three flats; Little Dick, four barges; George W. Mumlock, one model barge; two flats of railroad; Stella Moran, ten barges; William G. Horner, six barges; John A. Wood, six barges; B. D. Wood, five barges, one flat.

Many other steamers were preparing to leave.

The Holt Will Case.

WASHINGTON, June 25.—The jury to-day in the Holt will case set aside the alleged will and decided in favor of the heirs at law.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

North Carolina Democrats declared for free silver.

The gold reserve in the treasury is down to \$101,946,339.

The Colorado state silver convention met yesterday. Senator Teller was enthusiastically cheered.

In the Cattell trial at Akron, Ohio, Flora Stone, identified Cottell as the murderer of the Stone family.

The managers for Corbett and Sharkey negotiated yesterday for a finish fight for \$10,000 a side. The arrangements will be completed to-day.

At Newport, Ky., yesterday, arguments were heard on the motion for a new trial for Walling, convicted of the murder of Pearl Bryan.

CUBAN NEWS.

Another American Newspaper Man Expelled from the Country.

HAVANA, June 25.—A man named Jimenez, said to be a Venezuelan and a companion of Thomas R. Dawley, the American artist, who was recently arrested and subsequently released, has been detained on the charge of taking photographs of the defenses composing the military line across the province of Pinar del Rio.

W. W. Gay, a correspondent of the New York World, was notified last night that he has been expelled from the island and must leave Cuba by the first steamer. Gay will leave this city on Saturday.

A dispatch from Guanajay announces the surrender of Jose Gonzales, an important insurgent leader, and Jorge Terran and the Farinas, belonging to important families.

A dispatch from Santa Clara announces the death there from yellow fever of Major Isaac Garcia Vail. Colonel Molera is suffering from the same disease at Guanabacoa.

Lieutenant Colonel Jeaston's troops met the insurgents under Lacret, Montaña and Sangulany on the heights of Perla. The enemy was dislodged, and left thirteen killed and a number of Mauser rifles and a quantity of ammunition behind them besides carrying away many wounded. Among the latter was the insurgent leader, Sangulany.

The troops had one officer and seven soldiers wounded and two men killed. General Munoz destroyed a number of insurgent places of refuge in the Taina valley in Pinar del Rio, where the insurgents opened fire on them. The column under General Inclan thereupon attacked the Sierra and captured three insurgent camps, while General Munoz, with the Ysabel la Católica battalion marched to the right by the Reyes farm and engaged the left of Antonio Maceo's forces for two hours, compelling the enemy to abandon the camp. The insurgents are said to have numbered 4,000 men under Maceo, Banderá, Diba, and Sotomayor.

The enemy retired with a loss of thirty-one killed, many wounded and four prisoners. The troops lost two killed and several wounded. A severely wounded and Lieutenant Manuel Sanchez and thirty-four soldiers, slightly wounded.

On the following day General Inclan pushed on to Lechuga and burned two insurgent camps. The insurgents made but little resistance.

HOW THEY TAKE IT.

British Organs on the Defeat of the Government in Canada.

LONDON, June 25.—The St. James Gazette this afternoon referring to the Canadian election, says:

The English Unionists and Imperialists will accept the result with regret. It is true that neither party (in Canada) is other than loyal to the imperial connection. Still, the Liberals have dallied dangerously with reciprocity with the United States and it is among the Canadian Conservatives that there is the keenest feeling in favor of a severance.

The Americans are rapidly beating us out of the Canadian market and Laurier and his friends will do nothing to stop the process, nor, we fear, is the spirited project to unite Canada with Great Britain and Australasia by fast steamships likely to be pushed with much vigor. But Laurier is an able man, and we believe an sincere patriot, and will probably not do great harm during his tenure of office which in any case is not likely to last long.

The Globe says it is only in keeping with the teaching of primary history if in their long period in office the Conservatives have fallen out of touch with the constituencies. Race feeling was not a powerful factor in Laurier's victory, which was a consummation most to be wished if the Conservatives must be defeated. There is good ground to hope that neither the dominion or its relations with the mother country will suffer by the transfer of power, but only as President Cleveland is a free trader. In the crucial test of loyalty to imperial connection, the incoming party, happily, is as sound as its predecessors. Goldwin Smith is the only conspicuous advocate at present of annexation, and Goldwin Smith is an able man, and we believe an sincere patriot, and will probably not do great harm during his tenure of office which in any case is not likely to last long.

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A COLORED PICNIC.

Simpson M. E. Church Congregation and Lincoln School Pupils Have an Enjoyable Outing—Concert at Odd Fellows' Hall.

One of the largest picnics of the season was that given by the colored citizens at Wheeling park yesterday. The day was spent in the most enjoyable manner. The affair was originally gotten up by the congregation of Simpson M. E. church and they were later joined by the scholars of Lincoln school, who had also made arrangements for an outing, so it was decided to hold both on the same day and at the same place. The motors were crowded during the afternoon and early evening with the picnickers.

A large number of visiting colored folks from Charleston, Parkersburg and Marietta, came up on the steamer Columbia early in the morning and joined with the Wheeling brethren in making the day one long to be remembered.

Last night a concert and reception was held at Odd Fellows' hall, and a very attractive programme was rendered. The out-of-town folks contributed largely in the entertainment and furnished some excellent music. John Cabell, a one-armed piano player, was one of the performers, and a Charleston quartette sang some beautiful musical numbers. The visitors numbered about 150. They will leave early this morning on the steamer Columbia.

Acquitted of Bribery.

COLUMBUS, O., June 25.—Ex-Senator Lemuel C. Ohi, of Mahoning county, was acquitted this evening on the charge of bribery. It was charged in the indictment that in 1894, Mr. Ohi had offered Senator Avery, of Cleveland, a bribe to hold up in the finance committee in the senate an appropriation bill for the state university. The state tried to show that Prof. Chalmers, of the state university, had borrowed \$500 for the purpose of having the appropriation hung up so that the trustees of the university would be forced to retain him.

Americans Safe.

BOSTON, June 25.—The American Board has received a cable dispatch from Rev. George C. Reynolds, M. D., of Van, Eastern Turkey, which says: "Ninth day disturbance; comparative quiet restored. Americans safe."

Weather Forecast for To-day